



February 14, 2017

Senator Lisa Murkowski
United States Senate
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Washington, DC 20510

Senator Dan Sullivan
United States Senate
702 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Representative Don Young
United States House of Representatives
2314 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Alaska Congressional Delegation:

There are several Alaska issues that the new Administration are currently considering. Among those issues is the use of preemptive vetoes by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The Alaska State Chamber (Alaska Chamber) urges you to contact the new EPA Administrator to halt the use of these preemptive vetoes.

The mission of the Alaska Chamber is to promote a positive business environment in Alaska. We represent hundreds of businesses, manufacturers, and local chambers across the state. A crucial part of cultivating a positive business environment is having a trusted and established permitting and review process. When government disrupts this process, businesses stop trusting that the government will continue to use that process and instead just preemptively veto their project.

The Alaska Chamber hopes you will support asking the new EPA Administrator to review this issue thoroughly and act to reestablish trust in the process for the business community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Curtis W. Thayer', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Curtis W. Thayer
President & CEO